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LCO No. 886

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Referred to Committee on Insurance and Real Estate

Introduced by:
(INS)

***AN ACT CONCERNING A FOUR-HOUR ACCIDENT PREVENTION
COURSE FOR OLDER DRIVERS.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 38a-683 of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2010*):

3 (a) The premium charges for a private passenger nonfleet
4 automobile under an automobile liability or physical damage
5 insurance policy for any principal operator who has attained the age of
6 sixty years and has submitted proof of successful completion of [an] a
7 four-hour accident prevention course approved by the Commissioner
8 of Motor Vehicles shall be appropriately modified to reflect such
9 operator's reduced exposure to loss. Such course shall be completed
10 within one year prior to the initial application of the discount or, for
11 subsequent applications of the discount, within one year of the
12 expiration of the current discount period. If proof of successful
13 completion of such course is submitted during the term of a policy,
14 any premium modification shall become effective upon the next
15 renewal. A minimum discount of five per cent shall be applicable to
16 premium charges for such automobile for policies effective on and

17 after July 1, 1983. The discount shall apply to the premium charges for
 18 the automobile for at least twenty-four months. This section shall not
 19 apply to any group automobile insurance policy issued pursuant to
 20 section 38a-803 under which premiums are broadly averaged for the
 21 group rather than determined individually.

22 (b) The Commissioner of Motor Vehicles shall adopt regulations, in
 23 accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, concerning the content
 24 and other requirements of the accident prevention course referred to in
 25 subsection (a) of this section, including, but not limited to, [the number
 26 of hours of classroom instruction,] approval of schools and instructors
 27 offering the course, certificate issuance upon successful completion,
 28 and approval of such courses to be taken on the Internet.

29 (c) The commissioner shall adopt regulations, in accordance with
 30 chapter 54, pertaining to the requirements of such Internet courses
 31 established in subsection (b) of this section. Such regulations shall
 32 include, but not be limited to, methods to ensure verification of (1) the
 33 course enrollee's identity at the time of registration and throughout the
 34 duration of such approved Internet course, (2) the participation of such
 35 enrollee throughout the duration of such course, (3) the completion of
 36 such course by such enrollee within any time requirements imposed
 37 by such course or the commissioner, and (4) the successful completion
 38 of such course by such enrollee.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2010	38a-683

Statement of Purpose:

To provide for a four-hour accident prevention course for older drivers.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]